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New A bills, Mr. President. (Read LB 359A, LB 514A and LB 386A by title for the first time.) I have hearing notices from the Natural Resources Committee, Mr. President. That's all that I have. (See pages 483-484 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, (LB) 366, by Senator Suttle. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 13, referred to the Health Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill at this time, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Chair recognizes Senator Suttle, to open on LB 366.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, this is a correction of a statute called the Uniform Licensing Law, and what it does is provides a provisional license to psychologists. When this bill was written, this was overlooked. Under current law, a person applying for a license as a psychologist must complete a one-year postdoctoral supervised internship. Under this bill, prior to starting the required postdoctoral internship, the individual must apply for the provisional license to practice. The bill does not change any requirements for supervision. Any psychologist practicing under a provisional license must disclose the supervisory status to his or her clients and is prohibited from supervising other mental health professionals or independently evaluating persons under this Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Act. I appreciate your support for the advancement of this bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Suttle. Senator Price would like to announce the following guests are visiting the Legislature: 106 third graders from the Meadow Lane Elementary School in Lincoln along with their teachers. (Introduced teachers.) Would you please stand to be recognized by your Legislature. Thank you for joining us this morning. Chair recognizes Senator Chambers, for discussion on the advancement of LB 366.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature,